

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

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4
5 CHRIMAR SYSTEMS, INC.,
6 et al.,

7 Plaintiffs,

8 v.

Civil Action No.
6:15-cv-00163

9 ALCATEL-LUCENT, S.A., et al.,
10 Defendants.

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14 DEPOSITION OF RICH SEIFERT
15 Menlo Park, California
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4 (Deposition Exhibits 1 through 19 were
5 premarked for identification.)
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7 RICH SEIFERT,

8 having been first duly sworn by the court reporter,
9 testified as follows:
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11 EXAMINATION

12 BY MR. COHEN:

13 Q. Good morning, Mr. Seifert.

14 A. Good morning.

15 Q. My name is Justin Cohen. I am representing the
16 plaintiffs in this case, ChriMar Systems, Inc. and
17 ChriMar Holding Company.

18 Are you are familiar with them?

19 A. I am.

20 Q. Now, you've been deposed numerous times before;
21 correct?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Do you know about how many?

24 A. Between 10 and 20.

25 Q. So you generally understand the process and the

1 Q. In the AUI.

2 And where does it have distinguishing
3 information associated to impedance?

4 A. Well, what distinguish -- the 78 ohms
5 distinguishes it from, let's say, a 10BASE-T device,
6 which would be 100 ohms.

7 Q. But 10BASE-T plugs in with an RJ45 connector;
8 right?

9 A. Yeah.

10 Q. And this plugs in with an AUI cable; correct?

11 A. Yeah.

12 Q. The 15 pin?

13 A. But I don't know that at the other end of the
14 cable, for example.

15 Q. At the other end of which cable?

16 A. Either cable. If I am presented -- if I am
17 presented with a cable with -- with pairs of wires, I
18 can distinguish among -- among 10BASE-T device --
19 between 10BASE-T devices and AUI devices by measuring
20 the impedance across selected contacts.

21 Q. Can you distinguish 10BASE-T devices from other
22 10BASE-T devices using the characteristic impedance?

23 A. I don't think that's required by the claims.

24 Q. Can you answer my question?

25 A. Can I -- ask the question again?

1 Q. Can you distinguish one 10BASE-T device from
2 another 10BASE-T device using characteristic impedance?

3 A. Using just the characteristic impedance?

4 Q. Yes.

5 A. I don't think so.

6 Q. Is there another way that you could distinguish
7 one 10BASE-T device from another 10BASE-T device based
8 on distinguishing information associated to impedance?

9 A. Sure.

10 Q. How?

11 A. I could distinguish a 10BASE-T device that had
12 Bob Smith terminations on unused circuits from a
13 10BASE-T device that didn't have Bob Smith terminations
14 on the unused circuits.

15 Q. Is that in your report?

16 A. No, but you asked the question and I answered.

17 Q. So your opinion is based on the characteristic
18 impedance between AUI and 10BASE-T?

19 MR. HAWKINS: Objection to form.

20 THE WITNESS: I am saying that different
21 Ethernet devices can be distinguished by the impedance
22 that is used to terminate the lines.

23 BY MR. COHEN:

24 Q. And when you're talking about different
25 Ethernet devices, you're talking about different types

1 of Ethernet devices; correct?

2 A. I am talking about different Ethernet devices.

3 Q. But they're different types; correct?

4 A. What do you mean by "different types"?

5 Q. One is 10BASE-T and one is 10BASE5?

6 A. They could both be 10BASE-T.

7 Q. But you can't distinguish one 10BASE-T device
8 from another 10BASE-T device based on the characteristic
9 impedance; correct?

10 A. Again, I don't believe that's required by the
11 claims. I can distinguish one Ethernet device from
12 another Ethernet device based on the impedance.

13 Q. This is why I -- I am trying to understand your
14 opinions as laid out in C-2.

15 And as I read Element 31E, pages 6 and 7 of
16 your C-2, what it sounds to me you're saying is that you
17 can distinguish a 10BASE5 device from a 10BASE-T device
18 based on the characteristic impedance, because a 10BASE5
19 device using an AUI cable has a characteristic impedance
20 of about 78 ohms, and a 10BASE-T device has a
21 characteristic impedance of about 100 ohms; is that
22 correct?

23 A. Let me read this and make sure that's
24 reasonable reading.

25 MR. HAWKINS: And before you answer that, I'm

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